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January 29, 2014

10:30 am - 11:30 am

# BOARD OF MEDICINE OPEN SESSION MINUTES

#### **BoMed Mission Statement:**

"To **protect** and enhance the health, safety, and well-being of District of Columbia residents by **promoting** evidence-based best practices in health regulation, high standards of quality care and implementing policies that **prevent** adverse events."

\*\*Disclosure: Please note, the final Open Session Meeting Minutes will be posted once ratified by the Board.







### BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:		
	Janis Orlowski, MD (JO)	
	MARC RANKIN, MD (MR)	
	ANITRA DENSON, MD (AD)	
	LAWRENCE MANNING, MD (LM)	~ (0)
	Andrea Anderson, MD (AA)	0.0
	Thomas Dawson, Esq. (TD)	ABSENT
	LISA FITZPATRICK, MD (LF)	
	Brendan Furlong, MD (BF)	ABSENT
	BERNARD ARONS, MD (BA)	
	JEFFREY SMITH, MD (JS)	
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	HOWARD LIEBERS, MPH (HL)	
	TERRENCE STRAUB (TS)	
STAFF:	JACQUELINE WATSON, DO, MBA – EXEC. DIRECTOR	
	LISA ROBINSON – HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	
	AISHA WILLIAMS – HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	
	DENIZ SOYER, MBA - HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	
	Mary Harris – Health Licensing Specialist	
	Emilia Moran – Investigator	
	DIANE MOORER – IT SUPPORT	
LEGAL STAFF:	BRIAN KIM, ESQ. – BOARD ATTORNEY ADVISOR	
	AJAY GOHIL, ESQ. – ASST. BOARD ATTORNEY ADVISOR	







## OPEN SESSION - 10:30 - 11:30 am

OS-14-001	OPEN SESSION MINUTES		
ALL	The Board considered the Open Session Minutes of December 18,		
	2013.	6	
	Motion: Approve		
	Seconded	(0,	
	Passed Unanimously		
OS-14-002	OPEN CONSENT AGENDA		
ALL	The Board considered the current Open Consent Agenda of		
	January 29, 2014.		
	Motion: Approve		
	Seconded  Paggod Upanimously		
	Passed Unanimously		
OS-14-003	BOARD/DEPARTMENT'S REPORT		
ALL	In this segment, discussion can be held on issues and/or activities		
	pertaining to the activities of the Board/Department. Presenters		
	may be members of the Board, staff, or public.		
	A. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT	JW	
	1. BoMed Calendar		
	The Executive Director reported that the next full Board		
	meeting will be February 26, 2014, with open session at 10:30 am. In addition, the Board will hold its executive		
	session meeting on February 13, 2013.		
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	2. BoMed Stats	ВК	
	The Executive Director reported the following statistics:		
	As of January 29, there are 12,592 licensees under the		
	Board's purview:		
	• 9,853 MD/DO		
	<ul> <li>1,515 Medical Training Licenses (MTL)</li> </ul>		







- 251 Medical Training Registrants (MTR)
- 154 Acupuncturists (AC)
- 32 Anesthesiologist Assistants (AA)
- 34 Naturopathic Physicians (ND)
- 606 Physician Assistants (PA)
- 73 Polysomnographers (PSGT)
- 74 Surgical Assistants (SA)

#### Licensure Data FY2014

Since the beginning of the fiscal year (October 1, 2013), 229 licenses have been issued.

## During January 2014, 58 Licenses were issued:

- 37 were unrestricted (30 were MD/DO licenses)
- 21 were training licensees

#### Discpline Data FY2014

Since the beginning of the fiscal year (October 1, 2013), the Board:

- Received 12 complaints;
- Issued 12 public orders;
- Issued 4 private orders;
- Recommended 3 summary suspensions; and
- Held 3 hearings.

#### During January 2014, the Board:

- Received 3 complaints;
- Issued 3 public orders;
- Issued 1 private order;
- Requested 2 Notice of Intents (NOIs); and
- Held 1 hearing

#### 3. BoMed Newsletter

The Executive Director notified the Board that the newletter will be published in February 2014. The issue will feature an article on the newest Board member, Mr.







Straub. The newsletter will also include the Board's September 2014 Symposium, a farewell to HRLA Senior Deputy Director, Dr. Feseha Woldu, and a welcome of the new HRLA Senior Deputy Director, Dr. Rikin Mehta.

The newsletter will also highlight implementation of the new 3-credit HIV/AIDS CME requirement. The Executive Director has received several inquiries from licensees about where/how CMEs can be obtained to fulfill the new requirement. The Executive Director suggested including an article, to be written in collaboration with the HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis, STD, and TB Administration (HAHSTA), which would provide licensees with some guidance toward fulfilling the broadly worded HIV/AIDS CME requirement. The Board would like the article to mention that CMEs submitted toward fulfilling the new requirement include the phrase "HIV/AIDS" in the course title. The Board recommended directing licensees to HAHSTA's website, which features various CME and CEU opportunities and webinars: http://doh.dc.gov/page/cmeceu-opportunities-andwebinars.

Finally, the newletter will also serve to remind licensees of the 2014 renewal process, which will begin on October 1, 2014.

- 4. FSMB Finance Committee Meeting Update The Executive Director stated that she recently attended the FSMB Finance Committee Meeting earlier in the January. She has been serving on the Committee for three years.
- Interstate Compact\*
   The Executive Director referred to the press release from the FSMB regarding the development of an







interstate compact for licensure, which has garnered support in the US Senate. There has been a growing concern surrounding promptness of licensure and a movement toward an interstate compact. As a result, the FSMB has been encouraging state medical boards to consider developing an expedited pathway to licensure.

- 6. FYI Articles
  - a) How Qualified Is Your Doctor?
  - b) Top 4 Issues Medical Association Will Take to State Legislatures in 2014
  - c) Commentary: Interstate PMP Data-Sharing Technologies Assist States...
  - d) Medical Schools Embrace Benefits of Tablets, Mobile Devices....
  - e) Telemedicine a Win for Stressed-Out Doctors
  - f) Lots of New Patients, Too Few Doctors
  - q) No Easy Definition for 'Abusive' Prescribing

#### Public Outreach

The Executive Director stated that she has received calls from several physicians, who are concerned about their potential alignment with a disciplined physician, specifically one who is required to undergo reentry plan. The Executive Director offered a solution, using the example of the North Carolina Board of Medicine's efforts, to conduct outreach at academic centers. Outreach would allow the Board to identify physicians, who could serve in a mentorship capacity for reentry plan agreeements. Outreach efforts would also be an opportunity to put physicians at ease about serving as mentors and educate them about regulatory updates. The Executive Director also suggested that if Board members are available, they can join her and the attorney when they do presentations.

#### Medical Training License (MTLs)

The Executive Director discussed the upcoming MTL renewals,







which will begin on March 1.

The Graduate Medical Education (GME) directors from each of the District's accredited academic institutions will come to an informational meeting this Friday, January 31, to discuss MTL requirements for the upcoming academic year and to address feedback and concerns about the MTL process.

The Board Chair asked that we compile a list of concerns that GMEs have. She requested that this list be brought back before the Board.

### Foreign Observership

The Executive Director stated that there will be ongoing discussions with the GMEs regarding observerships for international, non-ECFMG/non-USMLE physicians. These are licensed foreign physicians, licensed in their countries, who would participate in observerships at various District hospitals for limited periods of time. Discussions regarding this matter will also include the HRLA Senior Deputy Director, Dr. Rikin Mehta, and DOH Director, Dr. Joxel Garcia. Additionally, the Board's Foreign Oberservship Subcommittee will meet on February 13, 2014, to provide input regarding this matter.

#### Medical Tourism

The Executive Director informed the Board of Dr. Garcia's interest in exploring medical tourism for the District. During his confirmation hearing, Dr. Garcia recommended to Councilmember Yvette Alexander that, because the District is an international city and key global tourist destination, the city could leverage the inflow of international patients, who travel to the US for care with their families, for revenue gain. The Executive Director also stated that Dr. Mehta has asked for more information on this and our current laws pertaining to international medical graduates in the US.







	Impaired Provider Program The Executive Director informed that Board that under Dr. Garcia's leadership, DOH is examining the development of the Impaired Provider Program. The Department wants to ensure that a comprehensive program is established to allow for providers from all health professions to have a pathway to rehabilitation. DOH is examining whether the program will be housed within the Department or outsourced. The Executive Director reported that she and the Board of Nursing's Executive Director, Karen Skinner, were tasked to review a proposal developed by the attorneys and provide recommendations to Dr. Mehta to consider.  B. BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT The Board Attorney did not have any new items to report.
OS-14-004 ALL	FSMB – WEBINAR ON OPIATE PRESCRIBING  The Board considered the FSMB invitation to their webinar regarding the prescribing of extended-release and long-acting opiod anagesics. [January 30, 2014, at 2pm].  Board members and staff will be participating in the webinar.

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#### **OPEN SESSION ADDENDUM:**

OS-14-005	OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER	
	Query from Mikelle Devillier, Interim General Counsel to the	
ALL	Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.	

Ms. Devillier posed a question regarding potential professional liability:

"Is the medical staff, physicians specifically, at the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner subject to professional or ethical liability when, during the course of their duties, controlled substances are recovered from the deceased individuals, or their effects, and transferred to civilian employees of a registered facility, as licensed by the Department of Health and/or the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), including new employees at the different departments of forsensic sciences for ultimate disposition, including, but not limited to, disposal, testing, and/or storage?"

Ms. Devillier stated that, previously controlled substances were transferred directly to Metropolitan Police Department.







Physicians at the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner would like to ensure that, in light of the change in protocol, they are not violating any license regulations.

As a general statement, the Board sees no personal liability, as long as a practitioner follows protocol as mandated by the Department of Forensic Sciences.

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#### **APPROVED CLEAN APPLICATIONS**

## OC-14-001 - APPROVED APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

#### **National Board Applicants:**

The following applicants were approved based on successful completion of the examination administered by the National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME) or the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners (NBOME).

#### **NBME:**

Jande Beur, Suzanne Taneja, Anil Thomson, Eric Brem, Henry Gitlitz, David Williams, David

#### **NBOME:**

Fujima, Lisa

#### **FLEX Examination:**

The following applicants were licensed based on successful completion of the FLEX examination.

N/A

#### **USMLE Applicants:**

The following applicants were approved based on successful completion of the USMLE examination:

#### **Took USMLE in D.C.**

N/A







### Took USMLE Outside of D.C.

Hanahan, Laura Suwannarat, Pim Shamas, Azhar Attridge, Joshua Kumar, Anisha Tian, Jianmin Kazin, Rebecca Raja, Bhuvana Tang, Anita Igbide, Aiiroghene Nable, Jose Victor Potdar, Meenu Fikremariam, Debebe Tapazoglou, Nicholas Smith, Bryan Surana, Narita Calame, Antoanella Safar, Ammar Turner-Graham, Cynthia Mitchell, Roger Saeed, Irfan Whyte, Toriseju Sun, Xinhui Kazin, Rebecca Zahra, Khalil Singh, Tangeneare Hopkins, Tim Schor, Kenneth Wilson, Tara Wilson, Matthew Aziz, Nasir Clairborne, Maiysha Daniel, Stephanie Hardison, Robert

Powers, Janet







Zhang, Dou Minor, Darlinda

### **Endorsement:**

N/A

## **Temporary Licenses (90-day)**

N/A

### Step 3

N/A

#### Took Combo:

N/A

#### LMCC:

N/A

#### **Comlex:**

Kim, Rickey

### **State Constructed:**

N/A

## **MD/DO Reinstatement Applicants:**

Narayana, Vasudha Fatehi, Nasrollah Roy, Ashok

## **MD/DO Reactivation Applicants:**

N/A

### **Acupuncturist:**

The following applicant was approved for an acupuncturist license and reinstatement (NCCAOM).

Dunford, Melissa







### **Physician Assistants:**

The following applicants were approved for physician assistant licenses (NCCPA).

Endres, Katherine Mixter, Jennifer Saj, Christopher Tran, Brian

### **PA Reinstatements:**

N/A

### **Surgical Assistants:**

The following applicants were approved for surgical assistant licenses:

Fernandez, Tito Cossa, Anwar Stein, Dylan Wilson, John

## **Anesthesiology Assistants:**

The following applicant was approved for anesthesiologist assistant licenses:

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## Naturopathic Physician:

The following applicant was approved for a naturopathic physician license (NPLEX).

N/A

### **Eminence II:**

N/







Next meeting: February 26, 2014, 10:30am

This ends the Open Session Minutes.

Submitted by: Deniz Soyer, MBA – Health Licensing Specialist

Approved:	
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Janis Orlowski, M.D. – Board Chair	Date